CHANGES MADE BY THE STATE DEM-OCRATIC CONVENTION.

The Election of County Chairman--Filing of the Pledges of Candidates---Time of the Meeting of the Clubs and Helding

At the State Convention several important changes were made in the Constitution of the party, and as this is to be a campaign year of intense interest the changes are given in full, the additions to the old Constitution appearing

enclosed in parenthesis:
Article I. There shall be one or more Democratic clubs organized in each township or ward, each of which clubs shall have a distinct title, "The —— Democratic Club," and shall elect a president, one or more vice presidents, a recording and a corresponding secrethe following working committees, of of such candidate shall be filed on or tary and a treasurer, and shall have not less than three members each, viz: A committee on registration, an executive committee, and such other committees as to each club may seem expedient.

Article II. The meetings of the club should be frequent after the opening of the canvass, and some member of the club or invited speaker deliver an address at each meeting, if practicable. (The clubs shall meet on the fourth Saturday in April and the county convention on the first Monday in May, respectively, of each election year. Provided, That the county executive committe may name any other day, within the same week for such club meeting by giving at least two weeks notice by advertisement in county pa-pers. Each county shall be entitled to double the number of delegates in the State convention as it has members in the General Assembly.) Article III. The president or five

members shall have power to call an extra meeting of the club (and at such extra meetings) and one-fourth of the members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article IV. The clubs in each county shall be held together and operate under the control of a county executive committee, which shall consist of one member from each club, to be elected by the respective clubs. The executive committee when elected shall appoint its own officers (except the chairman, who shall be elected by the county convention, who shall not necessarily be members of said committee; but a vacancy in the membership of the committee shall be filled by the club, through the loss of whose member by death, resignation or otherwise the vacancy occurs), provided that any officer so elected who is not a member of the committee shall not be entitled to a vote on any question, except the chairman, and then only in case of a tie vote. The tenure of office until the first Monday in May of each election year, at which time the counto reorganize the party. Every Presidante the power to fill the vacancy dential election year conventions shall all by majority vote of the whole combe called by the county executive committee to meet on the first Monday in May, which shall elect delegates to a State convention called for the purpose of electing delegates to the National Democratic Convention and to elect the member of the National Democratic executive committee from this State. The State convention shall be called by the State executive committee to meet every Presidential election year on the third Wednesday in May, Article X. When the year on the third Wednesday in May, and every State election year county tion assembles it shall be called to Wednesday) in May respectively.

Article V. County Democratic conventions shall be composed of delegates elected by the several local clubs, one delegate for every twenty-five voters, as shown by the poll list made at the preceding first primary election (in an election year and one delegate for a majority fraction thereof), with the right to each county convention to enlarge or diminish the representation according to circumstances. The county conventions shall be called together by the chairman of the respective executive committees under such rule, not inconsistent with the Constitution nor with the rules adopted by the State Democratic executive committee, as each county may adopt, and when as-sembled shall be called to order by the chairman of the executive committee, and the convention shall proceed to nominate and elect from among its members a president, one or more vice presidents, a secretary and a treasurer. Any county (convention may permit or recognize) may permit the formation of a new clnb or clubs by a majority of its members. In all cities with a population of 5,000 and over there may be two clubs in each ward; they shall be organized in obedience to this Constitution, as are the clubs elsewhere in this State, and in organizing said clubs they shall have representation in the provided county conventions respectively as said conventions shall declare in accordance with the provisions of this

Constitution.
Article VI. For the purpose of nominating candidates for Governor, Lieutenant Governor and all other State officers, including solicitors in their respective circuits and Congressmen in their respective districts (and United States Senators and all county officers except magistrates), and masters, supervisors of registration, a district primary election shall be held on the last Tuesday in August of each elec-tion year, and a second and third primary each two weeks successively there after, if necessary. At this election only Democratic white voters who have been residents of the State twelve months and the county sixty days pre-ceding the next general election, and such negroes as voted the Democratic ticket in 1876, and as have voted the Democratic ticket continued to the Democratic ticket in 1876, and as have voted the Democratic ticket continued to the Democratic ticket to the Democratic ticket ticket to the Democratic Democratic ticket continuously since, tanzas province, which were exploded to be shown by the certificate of ten by a regular train containing a numwhite Democratic voters, (who will ber of workmen. The train was pledge themselves to support the completely wrecked. The engineer nominees of such elections, may vote) provided that no person shall be allowed to vote except his name be enrolled on the particular club list at province of Habana today, but were which he offers to vote at least five days before the day of the first election. (Each club shall have a separate polling place for primary elections.)
The club rolls of the party shall constitute the registry list and shall be open to inspection by any member of the party, and the election under this clause shall be held and regulated un-

by the chairman, to canvass the vote and declare the result as to all State officers, Congressmen and United Senators

All contests for all nominations at primary elections shall be heard first by the county executive committee of the county in which such irregularities may have occurred, and may be reviewed by the State executive committee, whose action shall be final provided that no votes shall be counted for any candidate who does not file with the chairman of the State executive committee, or with the respective chairmen of the county executive committees, a pledge in writting that he will abide the result of such primary and support the party nominees, and that he is not, nor will he become the candidate for any faction either privately or publicly suggested, other than the regular Democratic nomination; provided further, that no candidate shall be declared nominated unless he receives a majority of the votes cast (for the office of which he is a before the day of the first campaign meeting of the county or State respect-

Article VII. The officers of the State convention shall be a president, one vice president from each Congressional district, two secretaries and a

Article VIII. The State executive committee thall be composed of one member from each county, to be elected by the county conventions on the first Monday in May of each election year. When elected said executive committee shall choose its own officers, not necessarily members thereof prior to said election: Provided, That any officer so elected who is not a member of the committee shall not be entitled to vote on any question, except the chairman, and then only in case of a tie vote. The State executive commit tee shall meet at the call of the chairman or any five members, and at such time and place as he or they may ap-The member of the National Democratic executive committee from South Carolina shall be elected by the May State convention in 1896, and

every four years thereafter, and when elected shall be ex officio a member of the State executive committee. cancies on said executive committee, by death, resignation or otherwise, shall be filled by the respective county executive committees. The State ex-ecutive committee is charged with the execution and direction of the policy of the party in this State, subject to this Constitution, the prin ciples declared in the platform of prin ciples, and such instruction, by resolution or otherwise, as a State conven tion may from time to time adopt, not inconsistent with this Constitution, and shall continue in office for two years from the time of election or until their successors have been elected (The committee shall nominate Presidential electors and if any vacancy of the executive committee shall be occurs in the State ticket or of electors or of member of the national executive committee by death, resignation ty conventions shall be called together or other cause, the committee) shall have the power to fill the vacancy

> mittee. Article IX. The vote in the respect ve countles for all of the State officers, Congressmen, and United States Senator shall be transmitted by the chairmen of the respective county executive committees to the chairman of the State executive committee as early as practicable after each primary, who shall proceed to canvass the vote

the first Monday in May and the (third order by the chairman of the State exchairman shall be nominated and elected by the convention, and after its organization the convention shall proceed immediately to the election of permanent officers and to the transaction of business. When the business has concluded it shall adjourn sine

Article XI. Before the election in 1896, and each election thereafter, the State Democratic executitve committee shall issue a call to all candidates for State offices to address the people of the different counties of the State, fixing the dates of the meeting, and also inviting the candidates for Congress, United States Senate, and for solicitors, in their respective districts and circuits, to be present and address the people. At such meetings only the candidates above set forth should be allowed to speak.

Article XII. It shall be the duty of each county executive committee to appoint meetings in their respective counties to be addressed by the candidates for the General Assembly and for the different offices, all of whom, except (magistrates and supervisors of registration), shall be elected by primaries on the last Tuesday in August of each election year under the same rules and regulations hereinbefore

Article XIII. Each county delega-tion to a State convention shall have power to fill any vacancy therein.

Article XIV. This Constitution may be amended or altered at the regular May convention of the State or at any

convention called specifically for that

purpose, the call for which shall specify the changes to be made.

Article XV. Any county failing or refusing to organize under the provisions of this constitution shall not have representation in the State Democratic D. H. TOMPKINS,

Chairman. U. X. GUNTER, Secretary.

Fire and Dynamite. HABANA, June 1.—The entire town of Jamaica, near Habana, has been burned by the rebel band under the command of the insurgent leader Casand several workmen were injured. A band of rebels made an attack upon the town of Santiago las Vegas in the The rebel bands under repulsed. Ansalmo and Ridriguez entered the town of Puerta de la Guira, south of the trocha, yesterday, and set fire to the place, burning every building

Fatal Fire in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, June 3.—One woder the Act of the General Assembly of this State, approved December 22, 1888, and any subsequent Acts of the Legislature of this State. The was occupied by four families. Mrs. State executive committee shall meet Ellet jumped to instant death. Mrs.

SIX SQUARE MILES OF RUIN

Wrecked Houses in St. Louis Would Line a Street Eighty-five Miles Long.

St. Louis, June 4.-There have peen just 85 miles of streets obstructed by debris as a result of the tornado. All of these streets have been made passable and will be cleaned up in 10 days. In the city there are 480 miles of improved streets, so it can be seen to what extent the tornado interrupted

The storm district on its outside lines, extend from the river on the east to Tower Grove avenue on the west, and from Olive street on the north to Lynch street on the south. This comprises an area of six square miles. The extreme limits were three miles east and west, and two miles north and south.

An adequate idea of the damage can be formed when it is stated that if all the houses damaged and blown down were on both sides of the one street, that street would be just 85 miles candidate. Provided, That the pledge long. The figure is given by the street commissioner who has been through the entire district and from the reports of his general superintendent who has cut a roadway through the 85 miles of streets.

In addition to this, there are many more streets obstructed by wires and the like, which are not counted in the total. It has been feared that a large number of the people now reported

watery graves. it seems as though these fears were on the 29th at Society Hill. not unfounded, for in the past two days, two bodies have been dragged from the Mississippi's waters. The body of an unknown woman was taken from the water near East Carondelet. It still lies unidentified. Tony Messing, who formerly lived at No. 1636 North Nineteenth street, was are represented as needing rain, or found in the water near the Pittsburg dyke at the East St. Louis elevator. Messing was employed by the Donk Bros. coal yards and was known to have been near the river front at the time of the storm. It was supposed that he was blown into the river. In Columbia, 1.96; Beaufort, 1.70; Long addition to this a large number of shore, 1.70; Looper's, 1.15; McColl, horses and other animals have been 1.50; Batesburg, 1.38; Cheraw, 2.80. found in the debris which was collected along the bank. A number of these horses were fully harnessed, and as the storm occurred at a time when the river front was crowded with teams going to and coming from St. Louis with the last load for the day, it is thought that a number of the drivers may also have been swept into the

There is no way to fully determine the number of missing.

Thursday there was a special meet ing in Columbia of the executive committee of the South Carolina exposicompany which had undertaken to secure a first-class exhibit for the State of South Carolina at the Cotton States exposition, but which has now be done about defraying the expenses of the work already done by the committee. South Carolina, as all know, was the first of the southern States in the field insofar as the actual work of wasting no time.

The committee adopted the followng resolutions: Whereas, it has been determined not

to hold the Southern States exposition; Whereas, certain liabilities have al-

ready been incurred by the executiv committee, which must be paid, be it, therefore. Resolved, That for the purpose of

meeting and defraying these expenses the commissioners of the respective counties be, and they are hereby requested, to collect the sum of 5 per per cent. of the amount originally assessed against their respective counties, and forward the same to W. A. Clark, treasurer of the committee at Columbia, S. C.

Resolved, further, That in cases where commissioners have already forwarded their amounts or any por thereof, the treasurer be authorized to return to the said commissioners the balance remaining of their respective remittances after paying said liabili-

Egypt Raises More Cotton.

WASHINGTON, June 4 .- Inspired by the high prices realized by the cotton 1895-96, Egyptian planters have this spring increased the area to the maximum limit permitted by the figures are not procurable, but it is estimated that the increase of acreage is from 5 to 8 per cent. and that this seasons's area appoximates, 1,150,000 acres. The greatest percentage of increase is in provinces south of Cairo. Conservative forecasters believe the crop will yield 750,000 bales of 750 pounds—being the equivalent of 1,125, 000 American bales, and the largest ever raised in the Nile valley. Pre-dicated on the yearly increase of ship-ments to America, it is probable that the United States will buy 65,000 bales of the Egyptian cotton, equal to about 100,000 bales of American weight. These facts are as reported to the state deportment by United States Consul General Penfield at Cairo.

Elliott Unseated.

WASHINGTON, June 4.- The contested election case of Murray (colored Republican) against Elliott (Dem.) rom the Seventh district of South Carolina was decided today in the house the first thing. By a vote of 153 to 33, Murray was declared to be entitled to the seat occupied by Elliott and was sworn in by Speaker Reed amid applause. The case of Martin (Pop.) vs. Lockhart (Dem.) from the Sixth North Carolina district occupied nearly all of the rest of the session and at 5:40 o'clock the house adjourned, with the understanding that a vote should be taken the first thing tomorrow. In this case, also the majority recommended the seating of the contestant (Martin.)

Thirty People Drowned. TAMPA, Fla., June 4.—Cuban circles are agitated here to night over the arrival of fifty-four members of the Bermuda expedition who came from Sambo Creek, Honduras, via Mobile. This expedition left Jacksonville during the latter part of April. While the crew were disembarking on the Cuban coast, the Bermuda was ap proached by Spanish warships and had to escape. More than thirty Cubans were drowned during the excitement. Some were safely landed. Szarraga, the commander, landed, that an explosion of gas occurred in

THE WEATHER AND THE CROPS. State Observer Bauer's Weekly Bulletin as

COLUMBIA, June 2.-In view of the good rainfall South Carolina has had for some days the following weekly bulletin of the condition of the weath-

er and the crops of the State issued vesterday by State Observer Bauer, will be of special interest to the farm-This bulletin covers the weather and

crop conditions for the week ending Saturday, May 30, and in its preparation were used reports from one or more correspondents in each county of the State.

The mean temperature during the past week was the same as for the two previous ones, but there was less of an excess over the normal, as the latter increases at the rate of from one to two degrees per week during May and June. Since March 1st the seasonal excess averages about 2.5 degrees per day. The average of 39 places reporting mean temperatures for the past week is 79, and the normal for the

same period is approximately 74, hav-

ing increased from 72 since the previ

The mean temperature ranged from 82 at Poverty Hill, Allendale and Gillisonville to 74 at Greenville. The maximum temperature for the week was 100 on the 26th, reported from missing from East St. Louis found Gillisonville. The minimum was 59 on the 30th at Greenville, and 60 on In the light of recent developments the 30th at Santuc and Liberty and 60

> Showers occurred in some portions of the State on every day of the week, but as a rule, they were light and local except at a few points where the rain-

fall was excessive. On account of the uneven distribu tion of the rainfall a number of places more rain, badly. In the southeastern counties where the drought was most severe, light showers gave some relief, and a heavy shower in portions of Beaufort was most beneficial. The following heavy\_rains were reported In addition to these there were I1 places that reported amounts between 0.50 and 1 inch, while 23 places report ed some rain, but less than half an inch. The average of 42 reports being 0.50 and the normal for the same period is approximately 0.99 inch.

There was considerable hail report ed, but generally without injury to crops, except that a severe tornadic storm passed through Newberry county, accompanied by excessive rain. Crops in that path of the storm were severely damaged by hail, wind and rain, some fields of cotton being entirely destroyed. At Longshore, out side the path of the heaviest rainfall 1.70 inches of rain fell in one hour.

The prevailing winds were westerly for the week, and the sunshine was but little in excess of the usual, ranggone by the board. The meeting was ing from 25 per cent. of the possible for the purpose of seeing what could at Beaufort to 92 at Greenville, and averaging about 66.

CROPS. Correspondents' reports for the week range from glowing to gloomy, but the former exceed the latter in about getting up the exhibit was concerned the proportion of three to one. In and much had been accomplished in other words, over three fourths of the that direction, Commissioner Roche State rainfall has been sufficient for crops during May, while about one-fourth of the State has been too dry, and complaints of dryness come from nearly every county, making it diffi-cult to specify the localities where rain is needed, but generally it is dryn and Edgefield: Laurens and Union Chester. The most glowing crop accounts come from Anderson, Florence, Darlington and Chesterfield and Marlboro. The other counties are

> spotted. Corn continues to grow satisfactori ly, and laying by is becoming general. Shows effects of bud worms in Barnwell, wilts badly during the day in Sumter, but its general condition is from fair to excellent. Peas being extensively planted with corn.

The weather has been altogether favorable for cotton, which has general ly made marked improvement. Lice have appeared in Barnwell and Orangeburg; cotton is dying on red lands in Laurens, Union and York. It is putting on squares everywhere. Chopping to stands will soon be finished Replanted cotton is germinating and growing finely. Sea island cotton continues in bad condition for want of

Wheat baryest is general; heads small, but heavy. Fall oats are being country's irrigation facilities. Exact cut and housed; yield poor, but quali ty fair. Spring oats generally a fail-

Tobacco growing well generally with exceptions. Contemplated area restricted, owing to scarcity of plants. Ahandoned tobacco lands being planted to corn and cotton. -

Rice doing well generally except upland, which in places has a poor

Cane and melons are reported as doing well. Gardens very poor, for the most part complete failures.

Irish potatoes very poor, sweet pota-toes doing well; still being trans-planted and in Edgefield are being watered. Draws are plentiful. Cut worms are damaging cabbages in

Peaches continue to drop, and the peach crop will be a light one of inferior quality. Peaches ripening and being shipped to northern markets. Apples dropping and rotting on trees. Pear blight reported from Pickens county. The prospect for fruit is generally poor. Blackberries and huckleberries generally I lentiful.

The season and crops in general are about two weeks earlier than usual. Murdered a German Officer,

LONDON, June 3.-The Globe publishes a dispatch from Shanghai which says that since the return of Viceroy Liu Kun Yih of Nankin, the German officers who were lent to China by Germany to drill the Chinese troops, have been repeatedly insulted, hope be ing entertained that they would resent the insult by resigning. This practice not having the desired result, the Chinese have resorted to violence, ending in the murder of a German officer named Krauz by the Hunan body guard of the viceroy, and the German squadron has been ordered to proceed to Nankin forthwith. It is service will resign.

Miners Killed.

Paris, June 3.—A dispatch from Nimes in the department of Gard, says on the Friday after each primary, or Sullivan was fatally injurned and the such other time as may be designated other escaped on the roof.

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The Law Unconstitutional. CHARLESTON, June 4. - Judge Simon

ton declared in his opinion filed today that so much of the dispensary law which refers to the seizing, testing and under suspension of the rules. The confiscation of liquors, ordered for Johnson-Stokes election contest, from personal consumption by the residents the Seventh District of South Caroliof this State, is in conflict with the na, was the first business. Mr. Mc-Constitution of the United States, and Call of Massachusetts, chairman of is therefore null and void. He holds the election committee, made a mothat a resident has the right to order tion to reconsider the vote of Friday his liquor from beyond the State, and by which the House refused to adop to receive it without having it inter-fered with in any manner. The opinion is a lengthy and exhaustive legal document. It fully covers the subject matter which has been in dispute. The greater portion of the opinion Stokes was entitled to the seat and on deals with the section of the law referring to the testing of liqurs, and, as stated above, Judge Simonton denies the validity of such testing. He contained the validation of the seat and of the seat Judge Simonton Shows that the provisions of the law are directed towards giving the State a monopoly of the liquor trade. In conclusion, he states: "The present act gives to certain per-sons, the board of control, the sole power of purchasing and importing into this State an article recognized as an article of commerce. The monop oly is invested in them by provisions of such stringency and secured by such extraordinary sanctions that every other person of this State and all citizens of other States are absolutely deprived of competition with them. Thus the products, as well as the citizens of other States, are discriminated against, and interstate commerce is destroyed."

A Tragic End. NEWPORT, N. H., June 4:-Mr. Austin Corbin and his nephew, Corbin Edgell, with Dr. Paul Kunzier and Coachman John Stokes, started on a fishing trip about 3 o'clock this afternoon. On going out of the yard at the fewer house the horses shied tin. the farm house the horses shied, tipthe farm house the horses shied, tip-ping over the open carriage, throwing MEASURE the occupants down an embankment about eight feet against a stone wall The family saw the accident from the piazza and hurried to his assistance with the farm help. The entire party were found to be seriously hurt. The coachman was unconscious and remained so until 6 o'clock, when he died. Mr. Corbin was conscious, but was so terribly injured that he died at 9:42 tonight. Dr. Kunzier was thrown over the wall and sustained a broken arm and sprained ankle so far as These are our Retail prices:
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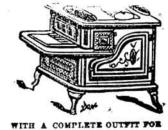
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the treatment. The Keeley Institute of South Carolina continues its good work at Co-lumbia, and any information desired may be had by addressing that institute or drawer 27.

Fatal Runaway. GUYTON, Ga., June 4.—Sheriff H. Cheap Biscuits U. Jaudon's horse became unmanageable yesterday afternoon and ran Ginger Snaps....... 4 1 2c pound The road cart was upset by coming in contact with a wagon and the sheriff was thrown out violently against a tree, which broke his jaw in against a tree, which broke his jaw in Flantation 61.2c pound against a tree, which broke his jaw in Fluxed Vanilla 61.2c pound several pieces and knocked nearly all of the flesh from one side of his face. Medical attention was given him at sortment of canned goods, etc., to be had once and it was thought that his inju ries would not prove fatal, but he died and peruse it carefully—you'll then find it to your advantage to send us your orders. today at 1 o'clock.

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Congressman Stokes Unseated. WASHINGTON, June 1.-This was 'suspension" day in the House and a number of minor bills were passed the minority report that Johnston was elected. The motion was passed without division. Then he offered a substitute that there was no valid election and that neither Johnston nor declare the seat vacant. Those voting for the substitute were 72 Demo crats, 53 Republicans and 5 Populists. Those opposed were all Republicans

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